



#7

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Fike *et al.*

Appl. No. 09/705,940

Filed: November 6, 2000

For: **Dry Powder Cells and Cell  
Culture Reagents and Methods of  
Production Thereof**

Confirmation No.: 7464

Art Unit: 1636

Examiner: Davis, Katherine F.

Atty. Docket: 0942.4290006/RWE/D-S

**Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1)**Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is hereby requested that the period for replying to the outstanding Office Action be extended two months from September 17, 2002 to Monday, November 18, 2002, by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)) is believed to be \$400.00 for a two month extension for a large entity. Fee payment is provided in our accompanying Check No. 37363. However, if extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

STERNE, KESSLER, GOLDSTEIN &amp; FOX P.L.L.C.

Robert W. Esmond  
Attorney for Applicants  
Registration No. 32,893**RECEIVED**

NOV 22 2002

TECH CENTER 1600/2900

11/20/2002 AOSMANI 00000056 09705940

01 FC:1252

400.00 OP

Date: Nov. 18, 20021100 New York Avenue, N.W.  
Suite 600  
Washington, D.C. 20005-3934  
(202) 371-2600